

CHICKASHA BOYS MAY BE CHAMPS

Charges of Ineligibility Lodged Against Norman Men and Cherokee Players Likely to Eliminate Two Lost Games

CONTEST NARROWS TO FOUR TEAMS

Locals May Play Oklahoma City Last of Week; Heads of High Schools on Record for Clean Sport

Instructors in the majority of the high schools of the state are determined to see clean sport in the athletic departments as well as in the more strictly educational ends. The teacher who will allow students to pass the "exams" and pass from class to class and leave the school in the end with an unearned diploma, soon reaches the end of his row and finds himself without a school and with a reputation which will scarcely be called desirable. The athletic training of the developing youth is a part of the education which fits him for life, just the same that is the absorption of Greek and Latin, of geometry and philosophy, of bookkeeping and shorthand. The good of the school which educates the young men and women depends not on the number of the diplomas it issues each year, but upon the number of men and women fitted in each and every way to go forth and win through life. The mind and the body should be developed equally and honestly. The school which turns out graduates fitted with diplomas and degrees and titles to which investigation will prove them unentitled will soon lose caste. The same may be said of the school which will play ineligible in the fields of supposedly clean sport and win championships to which they are not entitled. The object of all education is to fit the developing mind and body for the battles of life. The brain, the physique, the moral development all come in for their share of training. And the school which will stand for the crabbiness of games is not a school which is working in the interests—the best interests of the educational high standards which Oklahoma educators are trying to win for the state.

The above is a literal quotation from one of the instructors in Chickasha's schools. It contains the gist of his expressions made while speaking of the football situation brought about by the Oklahoma high school athletic association refusing to award the football championship for the season of 1914 at the recent sitting of that association.

Specific charges had been filed before the association by teachers, by city superintendents, setting forth that Norman and Cherokee had played ineligible on their football teams this fall and should therefore be eliminated from entering into the final contest with Oklahoma City, which goes into the fight with a clean and an honest record.

Charges have been filed with the association against both Norman and Cherokee—the logical contenders for entry into the championship game. It has been alleged that both Norman and Cherokee officials have admitted to having played ineligible on their teams, but claim that they were unadvised and did not at the time know that certain players were ineligible. The board of control has ordered all members to send in sworn statements showing all players were eligible and failure to comply with this order will eliminate any school from the contest.

As the matter now stands the contest will possibly be between Oklahoma City and either Chickasha, Tulsa or Pawhuska. The Pawhuska-Tulsa game has yet to be settled—the decision being in contest. The decision will eliminate one of those two leaving the chances even that Chickasha will have the opportunity afforded it of entering the big game.

With the games played against Norman and Cherokee, the schools charged with playing "ringers," eliminated the per centage column shows Oklahoma City, Chickasha, Pawhuska and Tulsa each with 1,000 per cent. Oklahoma City has played four games and won all; Pawhuska has played

four games and won all; Tulsa has played four games, winning three and tied one; Chickasha has played five games, winning four and tied one.

The state championship game will be played, probably in Oklahoma City, either Friday or Saturday of this week. Should Chickasha be the one to contest the capital city boys the game will be most interesting. The boys are nearly evenly matched in weight and training and all bear clean records.

"The only thing which may be a little blot against us," said Coach Reeds this morning "is that Chickasha had broken training when it looked as though the contest would be between Norman and Cherokee. I am betting that Oklahoma boys had done the same."

"Just as a citation of the comparative strength of Oklahoma and Chickasha, I will state that O. C. beat Shawnee by a score of 27-7, or with a margin of 20 points, while Chickasha beat Shawnee by a score of 20-3, or with a margin of 17 points. Norman, one of the teams now declared out of this season's running through sharp practice, beat O. C. 24-0. The same team defeated Chickasha by a score of 18-7.

"Our boys are in training now for the big game. We are going to win that game if we get a chance at it. Oklahoma, Chickasha, Pawhuska, Tulsa, each has 1,000 per cent and Pawhuska or Tulsa, one or the other, will need to be dropped from the reckoning when their own game has been settled. That game has been played, but remains undecided.

"Of course, it was unfortunate that our boys have been permitted to break training, but I believe the O. C. boys did the same and we will have the Thanksgiving turkey thoroughly eliminated and the boys in fine fettle by the coming of Friday or Saturday.

"Yes, Pool will play in this game provided Chickasha gets a crack at it. His condition is all O. K. The injuries he received from the Cherokee bunch have it seems proved superficial and notwithstanding the assertion that Pool was out of football, made right after that game, it now seems that if Chickasha goes against the metropolitan bunch Pool will be in the game with a great big G."

Should the "championship" be played off between Oklahoma City and Chickasha it will be a case of Greek meet Greek. The boys of the two teams are all friends and acquaintances. And the coaches are old-time "side kicks."

Coach Reeds of Chickasha and Coach Thompson are old class mates and team mates. They are members of the same Greek letter fraternity—the Sigma-Nu—and played together in 1910.

HOLD THREE ON CHARGES OF ROBBERY

R. E. Lee, A. C. Dawes and A. H. Kelley, charged with holding up and robbing Doctor Graham, a negro storekeeper on "Two" street on the night of November 18, were held in Judge T. P. Moore's court yesterday afternoon in bonds in the sum of \$750 each to answer to the January term of district court.

The defendants were first arraigned November 19 and held to appear November 23. On that date they appeared with their attorneys and the preliminaries set for the twenty-ninth day of November.

Yesterday they were rearraigned during the afternoon and witnesses for the state examined. The defendants' attorneys cross-examined the state's witnesses, but did not put any one on the stand for the defense nor outline the what the defense might be.

The complaining witness, identified two of the prisoners positively and partially identified the third. Members of the police force identified the gun taken from one of the prisoners.

Cross-examination of the witnesses by the attorneys for the defense brought forth the information that the prosecuting witness bore something of an unsavory reputation as a former law offender.

County Attorney Venable sought to have the bonds of the defendants made in heavier amount but the court held the sum named to be sufficient. Failure to furnish bonds resulted in the defendants being remanded to jail.

St. Luke's Guild of the Episcopal church will meet with Mrs. Trammell on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon of this week.

ATTACK ON FOUR SIDES EXPECTED

Kaiser and Emperor Believed to Have Conferred on Defense Plans in Balkan Campaign; Winter Checks Fighting

KITCHENER ARRIVES HOME FROM TRIP

Will Report to King and Cabinet on Results of Visit; French Call Class of 1917 to Colors

By United Press.
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 30.—Germany is expecting attacks in the Balkans from all four sides, according to information reaching here.

The Kaiser's visit to Emperor Franz Joseph yesterday is believed to have related to defense plans. It is understood that the general staff at Berlin is preparing for attacks from the following sources:

The Russians and perhaps the Roumanians on the north; attempts of the Russians to land on the Bulgarian Black sea coast; British, French and the remnants of the Serbs on the south; and the Italians and Montenegrins through Albania on the west.

The Bulgarians are counted on by Germany to defend their own northern frontier and the Turks are scheduled to guard the Black Sea coast. It is believed that the Turks will predominate against the allies in the south. The Austrians will oppose the Italians and the Germans will fill up the gaps everywhere, according to intimations of their plans that reach here.

Owing to the severe winter, it is thought unlikely that there will be any more serious fighting this season, but it is expected that the early spring will see operations resumed on a terrific scale.

Kitchener at Home.
By United Press.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—Lord Kitchener has arrived in England and will report immediately to King George and Premier Asquith his observations in Gallipoli and Salonika and the result of his conferences with King Constantine of Greece, King Victor Emmanuel of Italy and the French government heads.

The return of Kitchener is accepted as disproving rumors that he would take personal command in the Balkan campaign.

French Call More Men.
By United Press.

PARIS, Nov. 30.—The chamber of deputies has voted to call to the colors the class of 1917. This will send boys of eighteen to the front, adding a quarter of a million men to the French forces. The Socialist deputies fought the order.

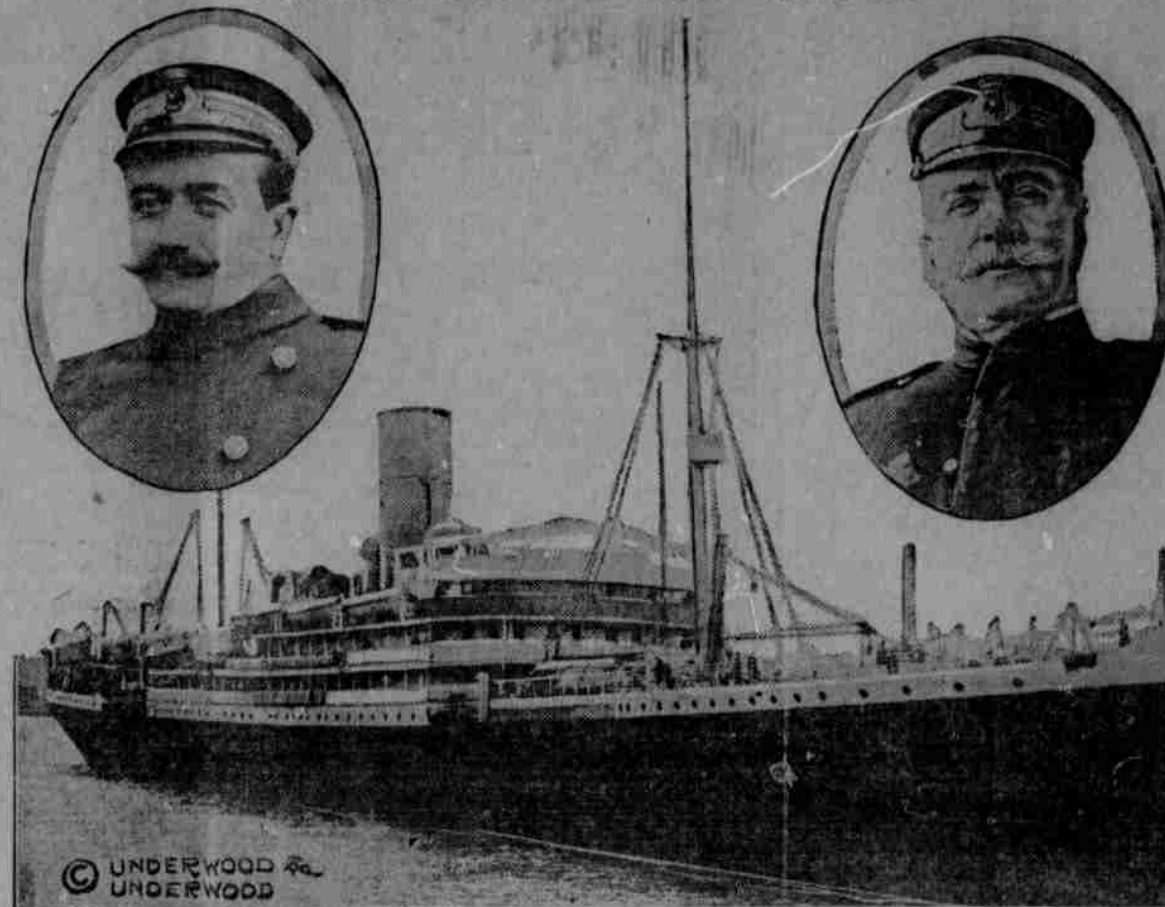
By United Press.
LISBON, Nov. 30.—Premier Costa's reorganized cabinet will be presented to congress Thursday.

DWYER IS DELEGATE

At a meeting of the executive committee of the State Bankers' association, held in Oklahoma City yesterday, T. H. Dwyer of this city, president of the organization, was elected to represent the banks of Oklahoma at the cotton conference which will be held in New Orleans, December 6-7. Mr. Dwyer will leave for New Orleans next Saturday and expects to be gone about a week. The object of the conference is to consider methods of financing the handling of the cotton crop.

The primary purpose of the bankers' meeting yesterday was the election of a secretary of the state association to succeed W. B. Harrison, resigned. Out of over fifty applicants, Harry E. Bagby, a Vinita banker, was elected. The meeting was attended by Mr. Dwyer and M. F. Courtney of this city, the latter being a member of the executive committee.

ANCONA AND HER CHIEF OFFICERS



This is the Italian steamship Ancona which was sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine flying the Austrian flag, with the loss of several hundred lives. At the right is Capt. Pietro Massardo, who was in command of the vessel, and at the left Italo Zolezzi, first officer.

JOYRIDING ON JOHN D'S JUICE STOPS

Soaring Price of Gasoline Causes Oil Magnate to Limit Supply of His Chauffeurs; Stocks Make Gains

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Coinciding with the rise in the price of gasoline at various points, come reports that John D. Rockefeller has put the ban on joyriding among the chauffeurs and other employees at Pocantico hills, who have been consuming his gasoline.

Reports say the oil king has given orders that his cars be supplied with only sufficient gasoline for the trips for which they are ordered.

Wall Street experts estimate that the market value of the stock of the thirty-six companies which were formed after the dissolution of the Standard Oil company have increased to the extent of \$148,137,017. The aggregate value of the stock is now \$1,651,033,492.

Price Going Up.
By United Press.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—Gasoline was quoted at fourteen and one-half cents a gallon here today against eleven cents three months ago.

By United Press.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 30.—Gasoline went to fourteen and eight-tenths cents per gallon here today, an increase of one cent over yesterday.

BIRDS TAKE TO FLIGHT

Frank and Winford Brazier were arrested at Amber and brought to Chickasha yesterday afternoon by Deputy McElroy of the sheriff's force. H. M. Smelzer appeared before Judge T. P. Moore and swore to a complaint charging them with grand larceny. Judge Moore held the defendants to answer and in default of bail committed them to the custody of the sheriff.

The defendants are boys, one aged about eighteen years the other about fifteen years. Jailer Dryden not wishing to lock them in the hold over with the hardened prisoners asked the county judge, he states, what disposition he should make of the lads. The judge advised him, Mr. Dryden says, to hold the boys in the jury room, which is located on the second floor of the jail, until such time as that room should be required by the jury. Mr. Dryden locked the boys in the jury room, providing them with bedding

and thought no more about them until this morning. Going out into the jail yard for something he found the lot of bedclothing given the boys on the ground beside the building. Looking up he saw one of the windows of the jury room was open. Further investigation disclosed the fact that the birds, had flown. They had thrown the bed clothes from the window and dropped out on the cushion thus afforded and decamped sometime during the night.

Sheriff Bailey has wired and phoned descriptions of the boys to all officers in the surrounding country and anticipates their early recapture.

The offense with which the Brazier boys are charged was the larceny from the store of H. M. Smelzer at Amber some days ago.

Judge R. E. Davenport of the county board, when told that the boys had escaped from confinement stated that he felt when he ordered their detention in the jury room that he was doing the right thing. "I had no authority," said the judge "to order those lads confined in the cells with hardened criminals. The state laws are very explicit in the matter of setting forth how juvenile law violators shall be handled. Furthermore, I had no idea of the condition of the jury room and will state I did not inquire as to whether or not the windows were barred. Further, no one would have thought the two boys would have attempted to escape by leaping from a second story window to the ground below."

SEIZE MORE WET GOODS

Sheriff Bailey and Deputies Stringfield, Castleman and Hogue visited the home of John Tucker, west of the city, yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and searched the premises. The search brought to light 18 quarts of whiskey, found in the house. Tucker was placed under arrest but released later to answer at an early date to an information which County Attorney Venable will lodge against him probably this afternoon.

Tucker alleges the whiskey captured by the officers in this last raid is not his, that it belongs to a farm hand employed by him. The farm hand, "Dutch" Smith, Sheriff Bailey says, stated to the officers that it was his whiskey they found.

Tucker is now out on bonds charged with having whiskey in his possession. This charge was lodged when the sheriff's force unearthed a cache of six barrels of booze buried and set in concrete on the Tucker premises last October.

ALEX HAS BLAZE.

ALEX, Okla., Nov. 29.—(Special)—Fire, originating from an unknown source, totally destroyed two buildings here early yesterday. The loss, it is said, will probably reach \$1,800 with no insurance. One building was until recently occupied by Cecil C. Colbert, editor of the Alex Tribune, but he was spending the night in the country. His furniture was a total loss.

DEFENSE QUESTION IS FIRST

Wilson Wants Issue Settled Before Revenue Measures are Passed; Texas Democrats Will See President

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—It became known today that President Wilson advised democratic leaders in congress that he desires revenue legislation held up until the national defense question is settled.

It is expected that one of the first steps to be taken will be the introduction of a resolution extending the present war tax, followed, if necessary, with amendment to include gasoline, oil, etc.

It was arranged today for the delegation of Democrats from Texas and other southwestern states who are here after the national Democratic convention for Dallas to call on the president next Monday.

It was learned today that a quietus had been placed on the opposition to the re-election of Congressman Henry of Texas, as chairman of the house rules committee. It is planned to retain Henry in the interest of party harmony. Friends of Henry say any other action would be embarrassing to his candidacy for the senate to succeed Sheppard.

MEX. TRAIN IS HELD UP

By United Press.
LAREDO, Texas, Nov. 30.—According to reports received here today, one hundred Mexican bandits held up a passenger train between Durango and Torreon Wednesday.

After riddling the cars with bullets, they robbed passengers of thousands of dollars' worth of jewelry.

One passenger was seriously wounded. The news was brought by Teofilo Crivell, a Brownsville merchant, arriving here from Durango.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.

Tonight, fair and warmer. Wednesday, fair, colder in west portion.
Local Temperature.
During the twenty-four hours ending at 8 o'clock a. m.:
Maximum, 56 degrees.
Minimum, 31 degrees.

TENANTRY IS MENACE TO NATION

Tendency is Toward Landlord Ownership of Soil, Says Secretary of Conference Opening in Chicago Today

DELEGATES FROM 38 STATES PRESENT

Standardization of Farm Products Urged by Brand, Chief of U.S. Market Bureau; Idaho System Explained

By United Press.
CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—"The gradual tendency of this country is toward landlord ownership of land," Charles W. Holman, secretary, today told the third national conference on marketing and farm credits.

"The condition is threatening to become almost as complicated as during feudal times," Holman continued. "Men live in luxury in cities, with money made with the labor of tenants. The condition is leading this country to an unfortunate economic condition—almost as unfortunate as the condition from which Ireland, was just pulled."

Ireland, he said, has been led from the oppression of his landlords. England passed a law permitting the British government to buy lands from the landlords. Then they resold the land to Irish farmers under terms the farmers could bear. A new system of agriculture and marketing has further aided Ireland to become prosperous, he said.

More than seven hundred delegates representing thirty-eight states, were in attendance at the second day's session today. The conference will end Thursday evening.

Standardization of farm products as to quality and size and type of products is necessary as an accurate basis of price quotations, Charles J. Brand, chief of the bureau of markets of the department of agriculture, told the conference today. He said accuracy of standards in selling products means a smaller margin between the price paid by the customer and the price paid by the producer. Poor qualities and ungraded products are ruinous to the whole market, he maintained. Failure to standardize packages, he said, afforded opportunity for dishonesty. That standardization of containers is a proper subject for federal legislation, was his contention.

W. G. Scholtz, director of the Idaho department of markets, told the conference why Idaho created a department of markets. That the idea of state assistance in farm marketing has come to stay was his stated belief. He detailed how the Idaho law works. First it affords a state employment bureau where farmers wanting men and men wanting jobs can get together without expense to either. The bureau's second function is to investigate promoters' circulars and prevent misrepresentations. The third function of the bureau, marketing farm products, is more gigantic in its scope, and slower to get under way, he said.

Frank L. McVey, chairman of the conference, in welcoming the delegates last night declared co-operative marketing forecasts agricultural prosperity. Millard R. Meyers, editor of the American Co-operative Journal, said farmers' co-operative markets had been universally successful, and their failures not common.

OVERRULES MOTION TO DISMISS INDICTMENTS.

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Judge Howe today overruled the motion of the defense to dismiss the indictments against four Hamburg-American line officials who are charged with illegally supplying German warships from American ports.

JAIL-BREAK IS FAILURE.

By United Press.
GALVESTON, Nov. 30.—Thirteen white prisoners in the county jail here sawed their way through a cell last night, but were caught in the act of escaping this morning.